

**TOWN OF PEACHAM
SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
Town Hall Meeting Room
Wednesday April 20, 2016 6:30PM**

Present:

Selectboard: Annette Lorraine and Tim Scott

Clerk to the Selectboard: Melissa Laurita Kohl

Public: Mike Bruton, Road Foreman Jeremy Withers, Richard Woodward

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Annette Lorraine at 6:33 PM.

- 1) Additions
 - a) Approval of 4/6/16 Minutes
- 2) Minutes:
 - a) **Annette moves to approve the amended minutes of 4/6/16. Tim seconds. So moved.**
- 3) Rich Woodward regarding speeding on East Peacham Rd
 - a) He would like the speed limit to be modified on East Peacham Rd from Danville Peacham Rd down. It's 50 until you get to almost 5 corners in East Peacham Rd (right by Dave Jacobs house) at which point it is reduced to 30 miles an hour. Richard said that as long as he has lived there people have been going down through there at 60 miles an hour and now he has kids there and doesn't want them to get clipped by a car. He suggested the town could move the 30 miles an hour sign up to Town Garage.
 - b) Tim asked Jeremy his opinion. He said that cars do go fast past the town garage. The town garage has good sight lines in both directions so it doesn't affect garage.
 - c) Jeremy said we do have a post by Dave's place for the blinking speed light, so would move that with the 30 mile an hour sign. Monday looking for a good location in South Peacham for the speed sign.
 - d) Annette said the the Selectboard would have to change the speed limit. Involves an engineering study and then passing an ordinance. Annette would like to add this to a future agenda.
- 4) Neil Monteith with updated LEOP (Local Emergency Operations Plan)
 - a) Neil presented the LEOP to the Selectboard. Annette added two culverts that wash out to the LEOP.
 - b) **Annette moves to adopt the LEOP for 2016 that Neil prepared. Tim seconds. So moved.**
- 5) Follow up from 4/6/16 meeting to sign letter formally adopting the VT alert reverse 911 system
 - a) **Tim makes a motion to accept the memorandum for the adoption of VT-Alert. Annette seconds. So moved.**
- 6) Consider "Rutland initiative" regarding lobbying legislature for more municipal say in siting of renewable energy structures
 - a) Annette is sympathetic but politically she doesn't want to take a stand on this. Annette and Tim think renewable energy is important.
- 7) Flood Hazard Mitigation
 - a) Review survey from Bruce Melendy
 - i) Defer that to soon to be appointed committee

- b) Consider appointments to town Emergency Management Plan committee (for NVDA work)
 - i) Barry Lawson said that he was interested. Annette would like to wait for David Jacobs for this agenda item. Selectboard might appoint people to the committee at the next meeting.
 - ii) Melissa will seek volunteers for the committee by posting on FPF and for the love of peacham on facebook and on bulletin boards.
- 8) Projects
 - a) Consider David Jacobs' barn board find and proposal
 - i) David found barn boards for \$25. It's included in the warrant that Annette and Tim will sign.
 - b) Consider town hall exterior electrical outlet work and estimate.
 - i) The Selectboard reviewed the estimate from Matt Pettigrew. David was interested in this project so they will wait for him before approving it. Annette is not comfortable with the price and is wondering if there is a way to reduce it by scaling down the project. She is also wondering if we should have another person bid for it. Add to next agenda
- 9) Town Clerk Update
 - a) Tom did not stay because he was sick. He gave the Selectboard the year to date to see if Tim has any questions about it.
- 10) Highway Department Update
 - a) Jeremy said that we are pretty much out of mud. Roads are in pretty good shape. Mostly have had compliments.
 - b) Have done a lot of maintenance on backhoe (\$1200) and grader (\$1500).
 - c) Very happy with the road crew. Had the grader going all weekend because of the good weather.
 - d) Tim said that he drives a lot of back roads and he said that ours are probably better than any. In other towns, some are still muddy.
 - e) Jeremy turned the grants in to Shauna and she said that they look good.
 - f) New hire Tom is a very good mechanic.
 - g) Beaver concerns - Jeremy is worried about it on Mack Mountain Rd because it is now over the beaver deceiver. We are not in trouble yet, but he is concerned. Mike has talked to Fish and Wildlife Department to the Beaver specialist for the State.
- 11) Review and approve bills
 - a) The Selectboard reviewed and approved bills.
 - i) Selectboard approved hosting website and email addresses for \$6 a month. Also approved using the State domain - peacham.vt.gov if that is still free.
- 12) Review correspondence
 - a) The Selectboard reviewed and approved correspondence.

Annette moves to adjourn at 7:45pm. Tim seconds. So moved.